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### Between I & Thou

# **Exhibition Opening & Meet the Artists**

# February 4, 2017, 5:00-7:00 PM

'Between I & Thou' includes artists from many different areas of the globe. It explores interconnections between the personal, cultural, religious and national. The works reflect the human need to tell the story of self and society, offering a rich conversation about the sameness and differentness among us. 'Between I & Thou' features the use of materials ranging from fiber to multimedia, painting, drawing, technology, performance and installation. There is an emphasis on the inclusion of senior artists whose works cogently reflect lives lived across significant changes in history.

### 'Between I & Thou' celebrates diversity.

Discussing this, Livia Straus, HVCCA Director, said,

"Faith Ringgold is arguably one of the most renowned African American living artists. Her work in quilts, drawings and book form speak to social justice as well as the stories and memories of her own childhood. Judith Zabar works through free association, her painting/drawings often beginning with doodled thoughts done at odd times, mining her subconscious. Other artists' works overlay personal with cultural cues, like Aminah Robinson who interweaves memory laden buttons and fabrics from discarded, overused clothing, embroidering her assemblages with words referencing her spiritual journey as she treads the time worn stones of Jerusalem. An artist like Leonardo Drew draws on the materials that surround us as well as comfort us, such as cotton batting from mattresses now disposed of, but when recycled into art carry the stuff of our dreams."

Entering HVCCA one is confronted by Asya Reznikoff's mother images, the artist gathering nursing milk over several months, filling bottles to overflow. This is Gaia, Earth Mother, Supreme nurturer and care giver. In our video room is an installation by Peter Bynum, whose illuminated glass paintings bring us into the biological structure of our oneness...for this is an exhibition seeking to touch upon the common hopes, needs and dreams that must take us, as human beings, to that which leads to a more caring and peaceful existence, one in which we see the 'I in Thou'.

Artists: Cristina Alvarez-Arnold, Laura Battle, Peter Bynum, Orly Cogan, Leonardo Drew, Camille Eskell, Kristján Gudmundsson, Erika Harrsch, Meg Hitchcock, Chris Jones, Remy Jungerman, Barbara Korman, Cal Lane, Katherine Mangiardi, Todd Murphy, Brigitte Nahon, Susan Obrant, Jong Oh, Margaret Loy Pula, Liz Quisgard, Raquel Rabinovich, Asya Reznikov, Faith Ringgold, Aminah Robinson, Antonio Santin, Yardena Donig Youner, Jayoung Yoon, Judith Zabar

#### Opening in conjunction with Between I and Thou:

Remy Jungerman, HVCCA Winter Artist in Residence. This exhibition and residency is sponsored in part by the Dutch Consulate, Mondriaan Fund and the Netherland America Foundation

Peter Bynum's "Illumination of the Sacred Forms: Divine Light Mission and Sanctuary."

See <u>www.hvcca.org</u> for events, education programs, presentations and discussions that accompany this exhibition.

For information on in-school-residency possibilities related to the artists in 'Between I & Thou' please contact sbachelier@hvcca.org.

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Members Free, General Admission \$10, Seniors/Educators/Students/Peekskill residents/Children over 8 \$5.